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| For: INK JET RECORDING APPARATUS | )  |                       |
| FOR CONTROLLING RECOVERY         | :  |                       |
| OPERATION BY MANAGING            | )  |                       |
| CAP-OPEN STATE AND RECOVERY      | Υ: |                       |
| CONTROL METHOD                   | )  | August 15, 2005       |

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Further to the Information Disclosure Statement filed November 10, 2004, and in compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56, Applicants are submitting herewith the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Applicants respectfully request that the enclosed documents be placed in the official file.

The listed documents were cited in an Official Letter of a corresponding

Chinese application. A copy of the Official Letter is included for the Examiner's

convenience.

U.S. Patent No. 6,234,604, which was cited in the Office Action dated

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